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*Repealing a prohibition on the use of certain funds for tunneling in certain areas with respect to the Los Angeles to San Fernando Valley Metro Rail project, California:* H.R. 238, to repeal a prohibition on the use of certain funds for tunneling in certain areas with respect to the Los Angeles to San Fernando Valley Metro Rail project, California; and

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*Recognizing and honoring the lifetime contributions of Rafael Jose Diaz-Balart on the dedication of the Rafael Diaz-Balart Hall at the Florida International University College of Law:* H. Res. 131, to recognize and honor the lifetime contributions of Rafael Jose Diaz-Balart on the dedication of the Rafael Diaz-Balart Hall at the Florida International University College of Law.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:50 p.m. and reconvened at 1:34 p.m.

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**Suspension—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated on Tuesday, February 6:

*American River Pump Station Project Transfer Act of 2007:* H.R. 482, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to transfer ownership of the American River Pump Station Project, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 425 yeas with none voting “nay,” Roll No. 80.

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**Congressional-Executive Commission on the People’s Republic of China—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker’s appointment of the following Member of the House of Representatives to the Congressional-Executive Commission on the People’s Republic of China: Representative Levin, Chairman.

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**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H1345.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1302, H1302–03, H1303. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a hearing on Using Risk to Determine Homeland Security Investments. Testimony was heard from William Jenkins, Director, Home-

land Security and Justice Issue Team, GAO; and a public witness.

### NATIONAL DEFENSE BUDGET REQUEST

*Committee on Armed Services:* Held a hearing on the Fiscal Year 2008 National Defense Budget Request from the Department of Defense. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Robert M. Gates, Secretary; and GEN Peter Pace, USMC, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

### TREASURY DEPARTMENT FY 2008 BUDGET

*Committee on the Budget:* Held a hearing on the Treasury Department Fiscal Year 2008 Budget. Testimony was heard from Henry M. Paulson, Jr., Secretary of the Treasury.

### STRENGTHENING AMERICA’S MIDDLE CLASS—ECONOMIC SOLUTIONS

*Committee on Education and Labor:* Held a hearing on Strengthening America’s Middle Class: Finding Economic Solutions to Help America’s Families. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### FOREIGN INVESTMENTS IN THE U.S.

*Committee on Financial Services:* Held a hearing entitled “Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS), One Year After Dubai Ports World.” Testimony was heard from Clay Lowery, Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury; former Representative Steve Bartlett of Texas; and public witnesses.

### INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS BUDGET

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Held a hearing on International Relations Budget for Fiscal Year 2008. Testimony was heard from Condoleezza Rice, Secretary of State.

### HOMELAND SECURITY DEPARTMENT CHALLENGES

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Held a hearing entitled “An Overview of Issues and Challenges Facing the Department of Homeland Security.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GAO: David M. Walker, Comptroller General; and Norman Rabkin, Managing Director, Homeland Security and Justice; and Richard L. Skinner, Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 545, Native American Methamphetamine Enforcement and Treatment Act of 2007; H.R. 137, amended, Animal Fighting Prohibition Enforcement Act of 2007; and H.R. 740, To amend title 18, United States Code, to prevent caller ID spoofing.

**COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Met for organizational purposes.

The Committee also approved an Oversight Plan for the 110th Congress.

**IRAQ RECONSTRUCTION**

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Held a hearing entitled "Iraqi Reconstruction: Reliance on Private Military Contractors and Status Report." Testimony was heard from Tina Ballard, Assistant Under Secretary, Procurement and Policy, Department of the Army; and public witnesses.

**ADVANCED FUELS INFRASTRUCTURE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACT; OVERSIGHT PLAN**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by a voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of general debate on H.R. 547, Advanced Fuels Infrastructure Research and Development Act, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Science and Technology. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clauses 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule makes in order the Committee on Science and Technology amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered for amendment by section with each section considered as read. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Gordon; and Representatives Hall of Texas, Burgess and King of Iowa.

The Committee adopted an Oversight Plan for the 110th Congress, and authorized its transmission to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform and the Committee on House Administration.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; OVERSIGHT PLAN**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 720, Water Quality Financing Act of 2007; H.R. 569, Water Quality Investment Act of 2007; H.R. 700, Healthy Communities Water Supply Act of 2007; H.R. 798, To direct the Administrator of General Services to install a photovoltaic system for the headquarters building of the Department of Energy; H.R. 799, amended, Appalachian Regional Development Act Amendments of 2007; H.R. 802, amended, Maritime Pollution Prevention Act of 2007; H.R. 342, amended, To designate the United States courthouse

located at 555 Independent Street, Cape Girardeau, Missouri, as the "Rush Hudson Limbaugh, Sr., United States Courthouse;" H.R. 399, To designate the United States Courthouse to be constructed in Jackson, Mississippi, as the "R. Jess Brown United States Courthouse;" H.R. 429, To designate the United States courthouse located at 225 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn, New York, as the "Hugh L. Carey United States Courthouse;" H.R. 430, amended, To designate the United States bankruptcy courthouse located at 271 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn, New York as the "Conrad Duberstein United States Bankruptcy Courthouse;" H.R. 478, To designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 101 Barr Street in Lexington, Kentucky, as the "Scott Reed Federal Building and United States Courthouse;" H.R. 544, To designate the United States courthouse at South Federal Place in Sante Fe, New Mexico, as the "Santiago E. Campos United States Courthouse;" and H.R. 584, amended, To designate the headquarters building of the Department of Education in Washington, D.C., as the Lyndon Baines Johnson Federal Building.

The Committee approved an Oversight Plan for the 110th Congress.

**OMB FY 2008 BUDGET REQUEST**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Held a hearing on the President's Fiscal Year 2008 for the OMB. Testimony was heard from Ronald J. Portman, Director, OMB.

**SUBCOMMITTEE ORGANIZATION**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Social Security met for organizational purposes.

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**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2007**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

**Senate**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury, the Judiciary, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine the President's budget request for Fiscal Year 2008 for the Department of Transportation, 9:30 a.m., SD-138.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* business meeting to consider an original bill entitled "Public Transportation Terrorism Prevention Act of 2007", Time to be announced, S-216, Capitol.

*Committee on the Budget:* to hold hearings to examine the President's Fiscal Year 2008 budget and revenue proposals, 10 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold hearings to examine the present and future of public safety communications, 10 a.m., SR-253.